SEC. 10. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 29, 1963.

CHAPTER 182

(Senate Bill 285)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 31 of Article 26 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Courts", sub-title "Circuit Courts for the Counties—Court Stenographers", relating to advance costs in law and equity cases in Cecil County, KENT, QUEEN ANNE'S AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES and requiring that such costs be paid prior to filing such cases in the circuit court for Cecil County. COURTS FOR CECIL, KENT, QUEEN ANNE'S AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES, WITH AN EXCEPTION IN THE CASE OF INDIGENTS.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 31 of Article 26 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Courts", sub-title "Circuit Courts for the Counties—Court Stenographers", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

31. No case at law or in equity shall be docketed in the Circuit Courts for Howard or Cecil, CECIL, KENT, QUEEN ANNE'S AND WASHINGTON [County] Counties until the clerk of the Circuit Court for [said] the applicable county shall have been paid the initial costs therefor. The initial costs for docketing an equity case shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00) and for docketing a law case, ten dollars (\$10.00). HOWEVER, IN ANY SUCH CASE WHERE THE PARTY IS INDIGENT AND FILES AN OATH "IN FORMA PAUPERIS", THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.

Approved March 29, 1963.

CHAPTER 183

(Senate Bill 293)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 117 of Article 52 and Section 20 of Article 36 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1962 Supplement), titles "Justices of the Peace" and "Fees of Officers", respectively, sub-titles "Trial Magistrates System" and "Justices of the Peace", respectively, providing for the execution and return by the Sheriff of Cecil